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The Call of Charity.

The sudden and severe fall of temperature that occurred last night has brought the question of local charitable work sharply to the front for the season. It was certain that the necessity for active work of some kind would come sooner or later before the advent of spring and the citizens should congratulate themselves that the winter has 'so far been exceptionally n.ild and open. Now that the cold has brought suffering and distress the people of the District who possess means in excess of their necessities should respond liberally to the call for help that has already gone forth. Food and fuel form the two staple needs, and to supply these the charitable agencies must have money. The police have already felt the first effects of the cold in the sudden increase in the number of applicants for relief, and at police headquarters it is stated that there are practically no funds on hand for such a purpose. The managers of the Central Union Mission have decided to abstain this year from conducting organized charity work and to lend their aid to the regular agencies for charitable relief in other directions than by giving direct assistance The burden of the situation falls directly upon the Associated Charities, formed for the specific purpose of conducting such work, and it is gratifying to note that the officers and directors of this organization have responded promptly to the needs of the situation. A committee of excellent workers has been appointed to meet this afternoon to take the preliminary steps toward raising a fund that shall be used to give relief to the destitute who cannot be cared for by any of the special agencies through which the Associated Charities has been operating. The plan of the Assoclated Charities is to divide the cases of destitution into classes for reference to special means of relief, but it is expected and it is probable, that by far the greater number will fall within the miscellaneous class to be provided for directly by the funds raised by the citizens' committee. It is proper that this committee to ask the contributions of citizens should work in close connection with the Associated Charities, which is thus given charge of the local field. The people of the District have always in the past responded liberally to appeals for aid, and it is to be expected that they will do as much in the present emergency. Fortunately the severe season will probably be much shorter this year than usual, but this fact should not operate to cut off the supplies contributed to the committee. There should be no less of a spirit of generosity exhibited by the people in 1896 than in former years. Indeed, it is well that more should be raised than the necessities demand, for in this way only can there be provided a surplus or balance on hand at the beginning of next season. It is fortunate that there is such a balance in the hands of the police at this time, coming over from last year, for without it there must have been a great deal

The unexpected happened yesterday after-

hours of the present cold snap.

1.00n when the Old Dominion Jockey Club decided to follow the example of the Virginia Jockey Club and close operations at Alexander Island for the rest of the winter. It was not believed that both outlaw tracks would be closed for the indications were that it had been found that a combination could profitably be made by them that would give the gamblers a full service of six meetings a week while making a show of bowing to public opinion. It now appears that the same reason that operated to cause one track to close was effective against the other, and it is pretty definitely understood that a tip came from Richmond that it would be wholesome to suspend business for the cold months. Who sent that tip and who inspired it are matters for conjecture. Was the information sent to the Virginia Club, that caused a sudden closing in the midst of a prosperous season, a warning of possicutions that found its way to Alexander Island and so shut up that place as well? It is suggested that perhaps a bargain has been made with the authorities by virtue of which the tracks are to be unmolested by legislation for the remainder of the year if they will suspend for the winter. Gov. O'Ferrall gave the plainest evidence in his annual message that he can not possibly be a party to any such agreement. If a bargain has been made it is with the members of the legislature, who may have been persuaded by the race track lobbyists to grant this conditional immunity. While the present truce is agreeable it is not to be accepted by the people of the District as an end of the long fight against these tracks. They must be opposed as long as the Virginia laws remain in their present condition. Although it is forturate that the closing of the tracks this winter has been brought about, there is no guarantee without a change in the law that they will not remain in full operation unmolested next year.

By creating an Emergency Relief Committee of citizens the Associated Charities has broadened its plan of work in conformity with The Star's recent suggestion in an editorial discussion of the local problem of charitable relief. The action is wise and timely and the public will surely approve it and respond to it.

The cold-wave has shown a greater degree of celerity in responding to the announcements of the weather bureau than ordin-

arily characterizes procedure under gov-Senator Hil evidently regards "Finance"

as a much more hopeful topic for his discourses than "Liberty." The President has been accommodated

with the usual large consignment of variegated advice on the bond issue.

The Senate and the Finances. Yesterday's debate in the Senate led to

no practical results. The Finance Committee is still struggling with the bond and tariff bills, but it is evident that the end of the delay so far as that subordinate but powerful body is concerned will come in a few days, and the general expectation is bond bill will be reported in the form of a measure for the free coinage of silver, and that the tariff bill may be permitted to pass. Senator Sherman made a the administration that more revenue is not needed by the government, and the logical deduction from his speech, which is the most notable utterance of the present session, is that with sufficient revenue no impairment of the public credit is possible. Mr. Sherman deprecates the idea that the treasury can safely revive the old state bank notes, and he shows the danger of free silver. His speech is optimistic, as characterized by the statement that the present financial system, when cured of "a few defects developed by time," is capable of producing a form of money better than ture.

any other current in the world. He presents two remedies for the present ills of the treasury: First, to prohibit the use of the redemption fund for other purposes, and, second, to require that a note once redeemed for coin shall not be reissued except for coin. In short, Mr. Sherman proposes to keep the gold reserve inviolate and to prevent the use for current expenses

of funds derived from the sale of bonds issued to supply the reserve, as well as to check the "endless chain" of redemption and reissue by making it imperative that the stock of coin shall never be impaired by the fluctuations of the redeemable notes. There was a good deal of irritation observable in the debate yesterday afternoon, and the party lines went to smash once more. Mr. Elkins' resolution, aimed directly at the agreement between the treasury and the bend syndicate, appeared to have a large majority, though it did not come to a firal vote. The administration had few champions to defend it, and it is strange that its most able and earnest advocate on the floor was Mr. Hill, the hereditary political enemy of the President, The onslaught on the proposed bond issue was fierce, and its nature appears in the words of Mr. Teller, who declared that "the American people facing this question must see that either one of two things existsan incapaole administration of public affairs or a dishonest one." This gives a foretaste of what may be expected if the bond issue becomes a fact under the circumstances that now appear likely to surround it. The Elkins resolution in its present form would not have the force of law, if adopted, being merely an expression of opinion, but it is evident that it voices the sentiment of a great majority of the Senate, and it would doubtless pass both houses, for there is unquestionably a powerful sentiment in Congress, as well as among the people, against these periodical ssues of bonds to banker syndicates, that reap rich harvests from transactions which

The European War Flame.

bankers' own operations.

are apparently nade necessary by the

Dr. Jameson may have failed in his expedition into the Transvaal, but he has succeeded in demonstrating the extremely inflammable condition of European politics. Emperor William has angered the English people by sending a telegram of congratulation to President Kruger upon the defeat of the invading force and there is an outburst of war spirit throughout the continent. France is jubilating over the defeat of Jameson and the discomfiture of Chamberiain, who finds himself opposed not only on the continent by such strange allies as Germany and France, but at home by the common people. Theatrical audiences have shown a fierce resentment against the government for its disavowal of Jameson's actions and have cheered the name of that hapless adventurer. Meanwhile the Boers are reported to have wiped the English expedition out of existence, and it is reported that they have tried Jameson by courtmartial and executed him. The Transvaal has long been a bone of contention between the two powers that are now facing each other in an ugly mood, and the little republic over which Kruger presides has been under a virtual British protectorate that has not been satisfactory to Germany and Holland, with which nations the people of the republic are allied by blood.

It is pointed out that the necessity of the nour is for the organization of a internaticnal protectorate over South Africa, and the most notable feature of the discussion is that the continental program leaves Engsome arrangement will be made between Great Britain and Germany resulting in a peaceful settlement of the matters now engrossing the attention of the world, but it is difficult to see clearly through the smoke The chief obstacle to such a result seems to be the Emperor William's impetuous nature, which has already led to the note of corgratulation, so offensive to England, and which may give rise to other serious complications.

The American correspondent of the London Chronicle, who has astonished and annoyed the British by heaping contumely on the Schomburgk line, and, what is worse by publishing the official correspondence upon which he bases his well-founded and reasonable disrespect, warns his countrymen that the applicability of the Monroe doctrine to the Venezuelan controversy is now sustained in this country by "a national sentiment which it would be utter madness on the part of the English people to disregard or underestimate." He warmly urges arbitration upon the English government and intimates that his countrymen are liable to be misled as to the condition of public opinion here if they place too great reliance upon the utterances of commercial New York, reminding them of the extent to which "the South found support in New York before the war of the rebellion." This correspondent is accurately diagnosing the situation and is giving his countrymen sound and wholesome advice.

into the great family through the President's proclamation, and finds herself warmly welcomed by the organizations that form the greatest nation on earth. As a territory this new-comer has been prospercus and its history unique. The Mornon question was at one time thought to heed, but with the downfall of polygamy Mormonism has ceased to be viewed as a menace to the institutions of the land. The people who form the new state are enterprising and vigorous, types of their surroundings, and from the point of view of wealth, population and general enlighterment deserve the right to contribute new star to Old Glory.

Washington's winter-racing nuisance will be modified this year, though there is no certain prospect of its being permanently done away with. But the reform is worth working and waiting for, and the state authorities having not only their own good names but that of Washington to protect have shown a highly encouraging disposition to give the question the necessary at-

Chicago is beginning to think that New York's talk about diamond robberies is an stentatious advertising dodge, intended to give an impression of great wealth.

By appearing as the champion of the President, Mr. Hill places beyond dispute his claim to rank as a man of versatile and resourceful qualities.

There are so many countries that would probably be willing to mix up in a quarrel, that Great Britain can very well afford to be good-natured.

The deliberations of the Venezuelan commission are pretty sure to take time enough to prevent any hot-blooded precipitancy on

The popularity of Great Britain is descending a good deal more rapidly than the prices of American stocks did recently.

It looks as if Mr. Waite's ambition for bloody bridles had received another setback in the Venezuelan affair.

It was so cold and windy today that no men were able to work on the new city postoffice building. Spain appears to have a great deal to

conceal in connection with the war in Senator Sherman is competent to disport himself in mathematics as well as in litera-

President Cleveland has announced the enezuelan boundary commission, as follows: Justice Brewer of the United States Supreme Court; Richard H. Alvey of Maryland, chief justice of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia; Dr. Daniel C. Gilman, president of the Johns Hopkins University; Andrew D. White and Frederick R. Coudert of New York. The committees of the Senate passed into the control of the republicans; the populists, with exception of Mr. Kyle of South Dakota. declined to vote, and the republicans, having a plurality, were enabled to adopt the resolution by 30 to 28. Mr. Kyle voted with the democrats against the reorganizawith the democrats against the reorganiza-tion. Mr. Elkins tried to get an imme-diate vote on his resolution directing that all bond issues be advertised and the bonds offered to the public. Mr. Hill attempted to have the resolution referred, but the vote was in favor of proceeding; only six negative votes were cast. The treasury receipts for December show a surplus over expenditures of \$174,620, and a deficit for the past six months of \$15,334,707. over expenditures of \$174,620, and a deficit for the past six months of \$15,334,707. The Pennsylvania legislative investigating committee began its inquiry into the municipal affairs of Pittsburg. In a fight between soldiers and police at Bridgeport, Conn., thirty men were injured. The New York chamber of commerce adopted resolutions in opposition to war between the United States and Great Britain. Exsenator Thomas C. Platt announced that Senator Thomas C. Platt announced that Governor Levi P. Morton would be a candidate for the presidency. By an explo-sion and fire in St. Louis three persons were killed, thirty-two injured and four are missing. Six people perished in a fire in Columbus, Ohio. Chicago's beer war are missing. Six people perished in a fire in Columbus, Ohio. Chicago's beer war has been settled; the price of beer has been advanced to \$5 a barrel; some 2,000 saloons in Chicago will close in consequence. A terrific wind and rain storm did considerable damage at New York, Buffalo, Pittsburg, Bethlehem, Pa., and other points. The deaths of the week included John B. Blair, famous as a painter and inventor, at Chicago, aged ninety-five; ex-Governor Edward J. Curtis, at Boise, Idaho; Rev. Nathaniel George Clarke, D.D., LL.D., for nearly thirty years prominently LL.D., for nearly thirty years prominently identified with the management of the American board of commissioners of foreigr missions; Dr. George B. Lathrop, professor in the University of Michigan.

Foreign. Commissioner Jameson and the forces of the British South Africa Company met with a disastrous defeat in their invasion of the Transvaal republic. In a battle with the Boers they sustained heavy losses, and Jameson surrendered. A fight beprovince of Havana, Indicating that they are in retreat. Fifty miners were killed by an explosion of fire damp at Waldenburg, Prussian Silesia. The appointment of Alfred Austin to be poet laureate of England was announced. The Cunard steamer Cephalonia, from Boston to Liverpool, ran ashore on a reef near Holyhead, but was subsequently floated and proceeded to the latter place, where she was beached. Earthquake shocks were felt in the vicinity of Vienna. The Turkish government has accepted the offer Turkish government has accepted the offer of the powers to mediate between porte and the insurgents of Zeltoun. M. Hubert Joseph Frere-Orban, a Belgian statesman, died at Brussels, aged eighty-

In the District. The custom of calling on New Year day was quite generally observed throughout the city. Chief Justice Alvey of the Court of Appeals was appointed a member of the Venezuelan commission: during his absence the place on the bench will be filled by the designation of one of the judges of the District Supreme Court. In the case involving the legislaters the legality of a vestry election in St. Mark's P. E. Church a decision was readered in the District court to the effect that the co-called Torbert vestry was entitled to hold office. Chairman Carter of the naal republican committee appointed M. M. Parker the third member of the board to supervise the election in this District of delegates and alternates to the republican national convention. Rev. Dr. Satterlee, bishop-elect of the diocese of Washington, formally made known his acceptance of the free public library in this city was ma a bill prepared by the library committee of the board of trade and introduced in the Senate. After a consultation between the architects, the details of the first building to be erected on the grounds of the American University were decided upon and excavation of the ground is expected to be commenced shortly. The death of George W. Phillips, for many years a deputy Uni-ted States marshal for the District, oc-

SHOOTING STARS.

"When er man ain' got nuifin' ter do hisseif," said Uncle Eben, "he seems ter 'magine dat it's ir 'is power ter declah er gin'ral holiday for all his acquaintances."

The Same Surprise in Store. Again it comes, that northern blast, To make us think it queer Next summer, as we did the last, That ice should be so dear.

"It's too bad," said Willie Wishington. that the good old custom of making calls on New Year day is slowly but surely dying

"Do you like the practice?" "Verwy much. When you cawn't think of anything else you can say Happy New Year' and it's the only time when I evah feel weally at home as a conversationalist."

Oh, the man who comes talking and talking and talking.

And keeps up his talking for aye; Seems somehow to be

The man who has nothing to say. "All this country wants." said Mr. Dolan "is peace. An', begorrah, we'll get it, too, if we hov to fight fur it."

A Different Article. "Johnny," said the boy's mother, "you've been playing in the dirt again." "Dirt's something that is cheap and ever body wants to get rid of, ain't it?" he asked.

"Yes." "Well, I ain't been playing in any dirt. This was coal-dust."

Winter.

It is nice to read of ingle-nooks where crack ling fires leap high And to hear them rhyme of twinkling stars that light a frosty sky.

But, except you're made of leather, joy is dealt in paltry sums, For you've got to mind the weather when the Cold Wave

It's no use singing cheer-'em-ups and scraping on the string And drawing fancy pictures days of spring.

Unto folk of drooping feather the mistake

For you've got to mind the weather whe

minstrel strums,

Cold Wave Comes. Old Boreas does the singing and the frost is

on the pane: It's hard to keep your spirits where the tossing trees complain. So in misery together we must scratch for comfort-crumbs

For you've get to mind the weather when Cold

Comes. The New Poet Laurente on Monroe.

From the Baltimore American. The new English poet laureate has lost no time in calling the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine "clamors from the west."
The policy, however unmusical to poetic ears, in its call for attention, is one to be settled in vigorous hands rather than by the aid of officially poetic feet. And even Mr. Austin must admit that, from the way

Special January Clearing Sale Johnson

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Lot 3.

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Clearing Sale price, 50c. MEN'S \$1.25 DOGSKIN FLEECE-LINED GLOVES. Clearing Sale price, 79c. MEN'S 50c. HEAVY HAND-KNIT WOOLEN

Clearing Sale price, 39c. FINEST QUALITY SCOTCH WOOL Clearing Sale price, 49c. CHILDREN'S HAND-KNIT BLACK WOOLEN

Clearing Sale price, 10c. CHILDREN'S SAXONY YARN MITTS, BROWN, BLACK AND NAVY. Clearing Sale price, 15c CHILDREN'S SILK AND WOOL MIXED MIT-ENS, WHITE, RED, BLACK AND NAVY. Clearing Sale price, 25c

LADIES' BLACK ALL-WOOL HAND-KNIT MIT-ENS, DOUBLE WESTLETS. Clearing Sale price, 15c.
LADIES: EXTRA QUALITY AND WEIGHT
BLACK SAXONY MITTS, FASHIONED THUMBS. Clearing Sale price, 25c. LADIES' BLACK EXTRA WEIGHT HAND-CROCHET SILK MITTS.

Clearing Sale price, 75c.

Wraps.

PLUSH CAPPS, 20-IN. LENGTH, WITH LARGE STORM COLLAR, EDGED WITH FUR. REDUCED FROM \$5.00. CLEARING SALE PRICE, \$3.75 CLEARING SALE PRICE, \$3.75
CHINCHILLA CLOTH DOUBLE CAPE, COLLAR
AND TOP CAPE FINISHED WITH SATIN, WITH
FOUR ROWS OF STITCHING: REDUCED FROM
\$5.90. CLEARING SALE PRICE, \$3.98
CREPON FINISHED WRAPTERS, WITH FULL
SLEEVES AND WATTEAU BACK, RUFFLE OVER
SHOULDERS. REDUCED FROM 98c.
CLEARING SALE PRICE, 69c. ALL-WOOL PLANNEL WAISTS, NAVY, BLACK AND CARDINAL, WITH EXTRA LARGE SLEEVES, PLAITED FRONT AND BACK TO BELT. REDUCED FROM \$1.50. CLEARING SALE PRICE, 98c. LOT OF CHILDREN'S GRETCHENS, WITE CAPES AND LARGE SLEEVES. SIZES 8 TO 14 YEARS. REDUCED FROM \$5.00.
CLEARING SALE PRICE, \$2.96 LADIES' BLACK ASTRAKHAN MUFFS. RE-DUCED FROM \$1.00. CLEARING SALE PRICE, 29c. CHILDREN'S CHINCHILLA SETS, MUPF AND CCLLAR. REDUCED FROM \$1.00. CLEARING SALE PRICE, 50c. CHILDREN'S GOSSANERS, CHRCULAR SHAPE, WITH HOOD. SIZES 40 TO 48 INCHES IN LENGTH. REDUCED FROM \$1.25. CLEARING SALE PRICE, 98c.

Men's Furnishings.

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MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

Our 1806 Purchase of Medium and Fine Underwear will be on sale Monday, January 6, and in connection with

Our Clearing Sale will be the best drawing card we have yet had in this

We are not going to extremes and offer a line of undesirable cheap stuff nor are we going to waste space on French novelties.

The ladies don't want them! The most desirable garments are the medium priced kind, and to that end we have selected the very cream for this sale. 31c. GOWNS, FULL LENGTH, GOOD MUSLIN, TUCKED YOKE, RUFFLE NECK AND SLEEVES. Judge for Yourselves.

69e. GOWNS, CAMBRIC OR MUSLIN, CLUSTER OF FINEST EMBROIDERY. TUCKS. HANDSOMELY TRIMMED, Judge for Yourselves. 79c, GOWNS, CAMBRIC OR MUSLIN, CLUSTER OF INSERTING, EDGE OF FINE HAMBURG AND NAINSOOK TUCKS, EXTRA LENGTHS, TRIMMED Judge for Yourselves. EMPIRE, V SHAPE AND ROUND EMBROIDERY. Judge for Yourselves.

\$1.49 GOWNS, FINEST CAMBRIC, LARGE ROLLING COLLAI DEEP TUCKS, SLEEVES HANDSOMELY TRIMMED. 21c. DRAWERS, OF FINE CAMBRIC AND GOOD MUSLIN 69c. DRAWERS, CAMBRIC OR MUSLIN, EMBROIDERY CLUSTER OF TUCKS. 25c. LADIES' UNDERSKIRTS, MASONVILLE MUSLIN, MADE OF CAMBRIC.

49c. SKIRTS, BEST MUSLIN, DEEP CAMBRIC RUFFLE 98c. SKIRTS, MASONVILLE MUSLIN, RUFFLE OF 9-INCH BAND.

* \$1.98 SKIRTS, CAMBRIC, DEEP RUFFLE OF POINT DE PARIS TWO ROWS NAINSOOK INSERTING. FOUR CLESTER OF TRANS 25c. CORDED BAND, GOOD MUSLIN CHEMISE 98c. FINE CAMBRIC CHEMISE, ENTIRE FRONT AND EMBROIDERY, EXTRA LONG.

Judge for Yourselves. Judge for Yourselves. OF FINE HAMBURG ALL-OVER Indge for Yourselves. AND LOW NECK, CAMBRIC OR

Judge for Yourselves. DOMESTICS.

Apron Gingham, 3%c. Unbleached Canton Flannel, 3%c. Rival Yard-wide Fine Bleached Muslin, 5%c. Fruit of the Loom, 6%c. Irwin Yard-wide Bleached Muslin, 6%c.

Second-to-none Bleached Muslin, 5c. Lonsdale Cambric, 83/4c. Pequot Unbleached Sheeting, 5 %c. Androscoggin Pillow Case Muslin, 11/4 yards wide, 6 %c.

Alexander, 42-inch Bleached, 6%c. Utica or N. Y. Mills, 46 inches wide, 9%c. Dallas Bleached Sheeting, 11/2 yards wide, 98c. New York Mills Bleached, 1½ yards wide, 12½c. N. Y. Mills or Cohasset Bleached Sheeting, 2½ yards

EIDERDOWN Dressing Sacques in Pink, Gray, Light Blue and Cardinal, Crochet silk edge and silk ribbons, SPECIAL PRICE, 69C. specialty.
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